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1. VOTTA (COMMERCE) AND HENDERSON (OPIC) HAVE CONTACTED ALL PROSPECTIVE CREDIT SOURCES. WITHOUT LOCAL BANK GUARANTEE, EX-IM AND FCIA GUARANTEES OF LOANS TO LONGUE UNLIKELY. BIAO IS ONLY BANK WITH EX-IM CFF FACILITY; THEREFORE, IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF CFF, LONGUE WOULD HAVE TO APPLY FOR LOAN TO BIAO AND BIAO WOULD TAKE THE ENTIRE CREDIT RISK. SUPPLIERS OF FRANKLIN AND ALLIS TRACTOR NOT WILLING TO EXTEND CREDIT TO LONGUE WITHOUT LETTER OF CREDIT OR FCIA GUARANTEE. MONTHEATH DOES NOT PROVIDE CREDIT, BUT WILL CONTINUE TO SELL ON BASIS LETTER CREDIT AS LONG AS SHIPMENTS ACCEPTABLE; STILL AWAITING SAWN TIMBER AND LOGS PROMISED DEC. EQUATOR BANK IS STILL CONSIDERING WHETHER FINANCING POSSIBLE; RESPONSE SHOULD COME BY JAN 17. IF AFFIRMATIVE, BANK WILL REQUIRE UPDATE AND MUCH MORE COMPLETE FINANCIAL DATA ON LONGUE; WILL CABLE ANSWER NEXT WEEK.

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2. HENDERSON RECOMMENDS MISSION STRONGLY URGE LONGUE TO PROCEED TO MAKE FORMAL APPLICATION TO CAMEROON BANK LTD. LOCAL BANK RELATIONSHIP IMPORTANT TO FUTURE OF COMPANY. THE ONE-YEAR DELAY CITED REFTEL MAY TAKE INTO ACCOUNT LACK OF ADEQUATE INFO FOR CREDIT DECISION. IF LONGUE IS TO OBTAIN CREDIT FROM ANY SOURCE, PREPARATION OF PROPER FINAINCIAL HISTORY IS ESSENTIAL. KISSINGER

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